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ble assurance. He can also state that he has further alerted us to the situation on the items of money that are left out of the bill for the very reasons that the Senator from New York has given. The items were left out where there has not been a sufficient study to justify the expenditure of this new money. They were deleted from the bill. We are alert to those matters.

Mr. KEATING. I am grateful to the committee for their consideration of the matter. I am sure the Senator was conscientiously endeavoring to support the position of the Senate. His assurances that the subcommittee will follow this matter very carefully in the future is reassuring.

Mr. STENNIS. We want to be helpful to the Senator in his position, as well as to save money where we can.

Mr. KEATING. I thank the Senator.

Mr. JAVITS. Will the Senator yield?

Mr. STENNIS. I yield.

Mr. JAVITS. I am sure that this matter has been well covered in the colloquy, concerning the amendment of Senator KEATING, in which I had the privilege of joining.

As I understand it, the committee purports to deal directly with the substance of the matter that is involved.

Mr. STENNIS. That is correct.

Mr. JAVITS. I, too, wish to express my appreciation. We all live in this same house all the time. We should be vigilant, as the Senate is expected to be. I am very grateful to the Senator from Mississippi and to the committee for the statement that they will keep a close rein on this money.

Mr. STENNIS. We intend to. I thank the Senator for his interest in the measure, and his fine attitude. It is not something that can be put into strict law, as the Medes and the Persians of old did.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is on agreeing to the conference report.

The report was agreed to.

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate a message from the House of Representatives announcing its action on certain amendments of the Senate to House bill 11369, which was read as follows:

Resolved, That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 1 to the bill (H.R. 11369) entitled "An Act making appropriations for military construction for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1966, and for other purposes", and concur therein with an amendment, as follows: In lieu of the sum proposed by said amendment, insert "\$300,393,000".

Resolved, That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 3, and concur therein with an amendment, as follows: In lieu of the sum proposed by said amendment, insert "\$332,101,000".

Mr. STENNIS. Mr. President, I move that the Senate concur in the amendments of the House to Senate amendments Nos. 1 and 3.

The motion was agreed to.

AMENDMENT OF FOREIGN ASSISTANCE ACT OF 1961

The Senate resumed the consideration of the bill (H.R. 11380) to amend further the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended, and for other purposes.

Mr. CLARK. Mr. President, somewhat earlier when I yielded to the Senator from Mississippi so that he might present a conference report, the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. MONRONEY] had graciously agreed that we might engage in a colloquy with reference to some of the aspects of apportionment in Oklahoma.

There are other conference reports coming up. I have an engagement out of the city. The Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. MONRONEY] has another engagement. Neither is running out on the other. We shall return to this subject when the Senate convenes after the Democratic Convention.

I yield the floor.

THE MONTANA CENTENNIAL BAND

Mr. MANSFIELD. Mr. President, before we turn to the next order of business, I should like to make a few remarks which I hope will not be considered a violation of the rules of the Senate. I will not seek to achieve undue recognition for any one individual or group.

This is a proud day for the Treasure State. The State of Montana has, in the Nation's Capital, one of the best bands that it has ever been my pleasure to listen to and watch in Pasadena, Calif., in various parts of the State of Montana, and here in Washington, D.C. This band is called the Montana Centennial Band. The band is named in recognition of the fact that we are celebrating the 100th anniversary of Montana becoming a territory.

The band has already performed in the rotunda of the Old Senate Office Building. It will perform this evening at 7 o'clock on the steps of the Senate wing of the Capitol.

This extraordinary group, brought together with little preparation and no consideration as to where they come from, has really turned out to be the shining light in the celebration of Montana's anniversary.

These youngsters, both boys and girls, come from the mining camps and the big cities, such as Great Falls and Billings—each city with a population of approximately 55,000. They come from the ranches, and they come from the small towns. They have contributed greatly to publicizing the State of Montana and what it stands for. By their attitude and deportment in general, they have brought great credit upon our State and our country as well.

I wish to pay special commendation to the directors of the band, James Tibbs, of Missoula County High School, and Roger Heath, of Great Falls High School. The band includes, as majorettes, Paulette Forsythe, of Great

Falls, State champion; Gwen Loyd, of Great Falls; and Sherry Humber, of Butte. This group is extremely talented; intellectually talented as well as musically.

I am delighted as the Senator from the State of Montana, and as the majority leader of this body, to pay my respects to them publicly and to tell them personally how much I have enjoyed what they have done for our State.

Mr. DIRKSEN. Mr. President, will the majority leader yield?

Mr. MANSFIELD. I yield.

Mr. DIRKSEN. I believe it is highly fitting and proper that the majority leader should call attention to this great musical organization from Montana. I am delighted on my own score, particularly in view of the fact that long ago when I was in grade school and high school, we knew nothing about school bands. In the first place, I do not believe that anyone could afford the instruments in those days. Second, there were no instructors that I know of. Third, one had to work so much of the time to stay in school that he did not have time to tootle an instrument.

That all changed when I had a youngster of my own. I have forgotten whether she played a flute or a piccolo. I vowed that when I got around to it and was not incumbered with public duty I would find a piccolo instructor and start playing the piccolo. Even at my age, there is something entrancing and stimulating about music. The whole country is filled with school bands. It is a wonderful thing in our generation. It gives them the opportunity to learn music. It makes them better citizens. I have an idea that if we find a youngster who is playing a slide trombone, a piccolo, or a French horn, we do not have to bother too much about the question of juvenile delinquency. So, hail to Montana's Centennial Band, and may they wave long and proudly.

Mr. MANSFIELD. Mr. President, there is nothing I can add to that, because everything has now been said. I thank the distinguished minority leader for the kind words about a band that, I repeat, in my opinion, is one of the outstanding musical organizations in the whole Nation.

FOOD FOR PEACE

Mr. MANSFIELD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry be discharged from further consideration of H.R. 11846, and that it be laid before the Senate for present consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The bill will be stated by title.

The LEGISLATIVE CLERK. A bill (H.R. 11846) to amend the act of August 19, 1958, to permit purchase of processed food grain products in addition to purchase of flour and cornmeal and donating the same for certain domestic and foreign purposes.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, the committee is discharged from further consideration of the bill.